

What is claimed is:

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5 B- 1. A network system comprising clients and electronic equipment with which the client can communicate via communication protocol by specifying the file name, wherein there is provided command interpretation means that interprets a file transfer protocol command sent out by the client and a specific character string written on the file name field of said command and generates a control instruction to said electronic equipment.

10 2. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein said communication protocol is a file transfer protocol.

15 3. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein said communication protocol is a hyper text transfer protocol.

20 4. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein there is provided job ID issuing means that issues a job ID to said electronic equipment according to said control instruction.

25 5. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein there is provided operation status informing means that informs the client of each operation status of said electronic equipment according to said control instruction.

6. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein there is provided user ID checking means that checks the individual user ID given to each user at the client.

7. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image data accumulation means to accumulate image data.

5 8. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image data inputting means that optically reads original images and generates image data.

10 9. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image data processing means that processes image data.

15 10. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image outputting means that outputs image data to recording media.

20 11. The network system as defined in claim 1 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image data management means that manages image data by giving an image ID to said image data.

25 12. The network system as defined in claim 11 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with said image data management means that manages image data according to said image ID and individual user ID given to each user at the client.

13. The network system as defined in claim 11 wherein said image data management means is a relational data base system.